MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): The Superintendent, Stamp Manufactory, ought to have included his name in the returns.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know why it was not included?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag Financial Secretary to Government*): It was a mistake.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Did he deposit the required amount?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag, Financial Secretary to Government*): He was acting as Store-keeper on the responsibility of the permanent incumbent.

Posting of Co-operative Inspectors.

234. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*): (1) In view of the reply given by the Government to question No. 168 asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 19th April 1926, regarding the posting of Inspectors of Co-operative Credit Societies, will the Government be pleased to state how many Ezhava Inspectors are posted to places where the Ezhavas are living in large numbers ?

(2) Are the Government aware that the Ezhavas are living in very large numbers in the taluks of Shertallai, Vaikam and Parur in the Kottayam Division, Kartikapalli, Karunagapalli and Quilon in the Quilon Division, and Chirayinkil in the Trivandrum Division?

(3) If the answer to part (2) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to state whether they will post an Ezhava Inspector to each of those taluks?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) One.

(2) Yes.

(3) This is not possible since the Government do not propose to create new appointments for each taluk to provide posts for particular communities.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): With reference to the answer to part 3, did not the Government create seven appointments last year?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Are not the Government going to create three more this year ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I believe so. There is provision in the budget for that.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government take into consideration the principle involved in part (1) of my question, in making fresh appointments this year?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government will of course take into consideration the claims of Ezhavas, and once they are taken, the principles referred to will be observed.

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